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Appln. No: 10/575,008 Applicant: Aldo Vanetta

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Title: METHOD FOR MOUNTING A TIRE TO A WHEEL RIM COUNTERBALANCING

WEIGHT TO BE ATTACHED TO A WHEEL RIM

TC/A.U.: 3617 Examiner: Russell D. Stormer

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on the PTO/SB/08a form submitted herewith. A copy of each reference listed on the PTO/SB/08a form is enclosed.

Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

 $In \ accordance \ with \ 37 \ C.F.R. \ \S \ 1.97(g), \ the filling \ of this Information Disclosure \\ Statement \ shall \ not \ be \ construed \ to \ mean \ that \ a \ search \ has \ been \ made.$

References JP 06-219114 and JP 2002-283801 are not in the English language, but an English abstract thereof is attached to the copy of the reference submitted herewith.

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More than three months have elapsed since the filing of the above-referenced application and a first (non-Final) Official Action has been received. No Final Action or Notice of Allowance has yet been received and it is presumed that none has yet been mailed.

Accordingly, the required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is provided herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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(2) References

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